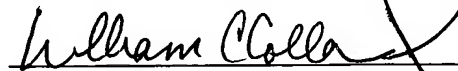


REMARKS

By this Preliminary Amendment, the application has been amended to conform with U.S. practice. No new matter has been introduced. Entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

An Information Disclosure Statement is also enclosed.

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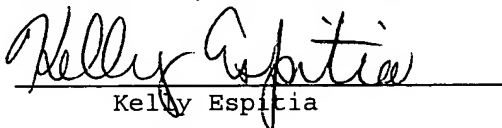
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